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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

KAUTZ

Serial No.: 10/590805

Group Art Unit: 1625

Filed: August 25, 2006

Examiner: DESAI, R.

For: **NOVEL HETEROCYCLE-SUBSTITUTED HYDROXY-6-PHENYLPHENANTHRIDINES AND THEIR USE AS PDE4 INHIBITORS**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION / ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated June 2, 2009. The one-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on July 2, 2009. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed within the time period set by the Examiner.

REMARKS

Claims 1-12, 14 and 16-17 are pending in this application. The Examiner has required restriction between the following groups of claims:

Group I: Claims 1-12 and 14, drawn to compounds of Formula I.

Group II: Claims 16-17, drawn to a method of treating disorders with the compounds of Formula I.